



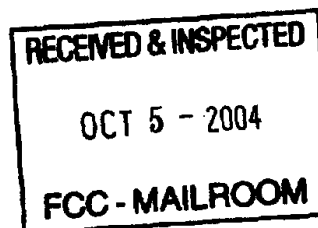
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October 4, 2004

VIA OVERNIGHT MAIL

Marlene H. Dortch,
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
9300 East Hampton Drive
Capitol Heights, MD 20743



Re: In the Matter of Unbundled Access to Network Elements
WC Docket No. 04-313

Review of Section 251 Unbundling Obligations of Incumbent Local Exchange
Carriers
CC Docket No. 01-338

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the request of the Federal Communications Commission for copies of state records initiated under the *Triennial Review Order*, enclosed for filing please find:

- (1) Four copies of the CD-ROM containing the public version of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission evidentiary record in our "9-Month" proceeding. This CD-ROM includes an index of the documents included, and
- (2) Request for Waiver.

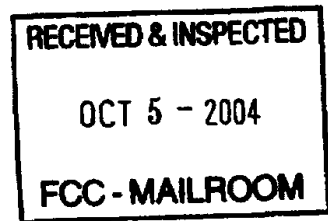
We note that Comments of the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission in response to the pending Notice of Proposed Rulemaking were electronically filed with the FCC on Monday, October 4, 2004.

Sincerely,

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**WAIVER REQUEST OF THE PENNSYLVANIA
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION**

The Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission (PA PUC) respectfully submitted initial comments electronically in response to the August 20, 2004 released *Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Interim Order and NPRM)*, FCC 04-179, 69 Federal Register 55128 (September 13, 2004) seeking input on a variety of issues related to the development of final network unbundling rules.

The PA PUC also respectfully requests any waivers necessary to file evidence from its State TRO proceeding in CD-ROM format only. An index of the record is also included with this document and is on each CD-ROM.

The CD-ROMS will be available for inspection at the FCC's headquarters.

REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF FILING REQUIREMENTS

Due to the voluminous nature of the *TRO* proceedings' records, and the cost and time associated with duplicating and filing same, the PA PUC respectfully requests a waiver pursuant to FCC rule 1.3¹ of the filing requirements in FCC rules 1.51 and 1.419² to allow it to file its *TRO* proceedings' records in CD format only. Finally, and also for the same reasons, the PA PUC requests a waiver of paragraph 33 of the *NPRM* in order to

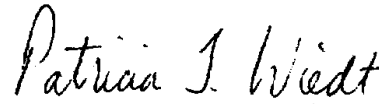
¹ 47 C.F.R. § 1.3 (2004).

² 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.51 and 1.419 (2004).

allow it to file its comments using the FCC's ECFS system, but without having to upload and attach all of the documents on the CDs.

Pursuant to FCC rule 1.3, the Commission may waive its rules for good cause. Good cause may be found when special circumstances exist to warrant a deviation from the general rule³, or where circumstances make strict compliance inconsistent with the public interest.⁴ In this matter, good cause exists simply based on the sheer volume, time, and expense involved with submitting the PA PUC's *TRO* proceedings' records in paper format.

RESPECTFULLY SUMMITTED,



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³ *WAIT Radio v. FCC*, 418 F.2d 1153, 1159 (D.C. Cir. 1969), *cert denied* 409 U.S. 1027 (1972).

⁴ *Northeast Cellular Telephone Co. v. FCC*, 897 F.2d 1164, 1166.

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